Troopers Arrest Robert L. Barger Jr. on Burglary and Stolen Motor Vehicle Charges — Seaford

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Robert L. Barger Jr. ARRESTED

Seaford, Delaware — The Delaware State Police have arrested a **Robert L. Barger Jr., 30 of Delmar, Delaware** on multiple motor vehicle thefts, commercial burglaries, and other related charges.

The investigation revealed the first incident occurred on March 3, 2020, as Troop 5 patrol units responded to the Bi-Rite Auto Sales located at 24770 Sussex Highway, Seaford, Delaware in reference to a burglary. The investigation revealed a suspect forced entry into the business by using a pry tool and prying a window open at the rear of the business. The stolen items included U.S. currency, electronics and two sets of keys were stolen. While inside of the business, the suspect removed clothing that was covering his face and proceeded to eat a container of ice cream that he found in the freezer of the business.

The next incident was investigated on March 8, 2020, as Troop 5 patrol units responded to Bi-Rite Auto Sales for another burglary that occurred to the business. This time, two motor vehicles were stolen from the car lot. A 2008 Ford F-350 and a 2005 Ford F-150. The F-150 was located in the rear parking lot of a liquor store in the area of Bi-Rite Auto and it was processed where it was recovered and turned back over to the victim. Detectives received information the suspect was last seen hanging out in the stolen black Ford F350 in the parking

lot of Food Lion in the town limits of Laurel. Laurel Police Department responded to the parking lot of the Food Lion and was able to locate the stolen 2008 F-350. Robert Barger Jr. was located inside the stolen vehicle and was taken into custody without incident.

Robert L. Barger Jr. 30 of Delmar, Delaware was transported back to Troop 5 where he was processed and arraigned. Both of the vehicles were recovered with keys, several tools that were taken were located at a local area Pawn Shop along with electronic devices.

Barger was charged with:

- Two counts of Theft of Motor Vehicles
- Two counts of Burglary 3rd Degree
- Possession of Burglar Tools
- Two counts of Conspiracy 2nd Degree
- Criminal Mischief
- Two counts of Theft

Barger was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default of \$21,500.00 cash bond.

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